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Go Bats Over
NEW
FRIGHTKNIGHTS

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FUN CONTEST
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new
Possibilities

Welcome to our **NIGHTMARE**

NEW

FRIGHT KNIGHTS

Willa hasn't decided whether she wants to be a good witch or a bad witch. When Willa first got her crystal ball, she turned it upside down, filled it with water, and kept her pet goldfish in it. Now she keeps her friend Skully inside.

Least favorite nickname: Witchi-poo

Favorite Nick at Night show: Bewitched

I CAN SEE YOU THROUGH MY CRYSTAL BALL.

Willa the Witch

We're creepy and we're spooky, mysterious and kooky. We're the Fright Knights! Just spend a night in our weird world. It's filled with fire-breathing dragons, bizarre bats, wizardly witches, scary skeletons, mystifying magic, terrifying trapdoors, puzzling passageways, and other creepy creature features.

Don't be a blockhead by the gate. Look out for falling rocks!

-6087- Witch's Magic Manor

Trap prisoners in secret rock.

Secret revolving wall



-6037- Witch's Windship

My Windship has a batwing rotor motor.

-6027- Bat Lord's Catapult

I'm all fired up about this flame-throwing catapult... Fire away.

WHO NEEDS A BROOM WHEN YOU CAN FLY A WINDSHIP!

COME ON, DRACO, QUIT DRAGGIN' YOUR TAIL AND FLAP THOSE WINGS.

-6007- Bat Lord

Basil is just batty about bats. His castle belfry is filled with flying mammals, from bumblebee bats to vampire bats. At night, he sleeps hanging upside down from the ceiling. When Basil wants to cruise the skies like a bat, he hops on his fire-breathing dragon, Draco, and takes off.

Favorite movie: Batman Forever
Favorite place: The bathroom

Basil the Bat Lord

7 Year-Old Named "LEGO President for a Day"



Ryan Bonnett

Ryan Bonnett, age seven, from Missouri, was the Grand Prize Winner of the LEGO "President for a Day" sweepstakes, held at Wal-Mart stores nationwide. Ryan's name was selected from over 15,000 entries. As Grand Prize winner, Ryan got a \$1,000 shopping spree at Wal-Mart, and he and his family were flown to LEGO U.S. headquarters in Connecticut where Ryan served as the LEGO U.S. president for a day on October 14, 1996.

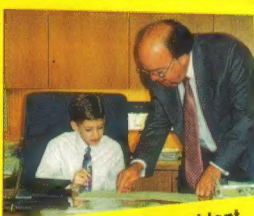
Ryan had a few moments during his busy schedule at LEGO headquarters to answer questions:

Club What did you enjoy most about being the LEGO president for a day?

President Ryan I really enjoyed working with the LEGO U.S. president in his office. I also liked building my name out of LEGO bricks with LEGO Model Designer Paul Chrzan.

Club What will you buy during your LEGO shopping spree at Wal-Mart?

President Ryan I really don't have any Castle sets and plan to buy some.



Ryan and LEGO president Peter Eio.



Ryan with LEGO Model designer Paul Chrzan



For Kids
By Kids



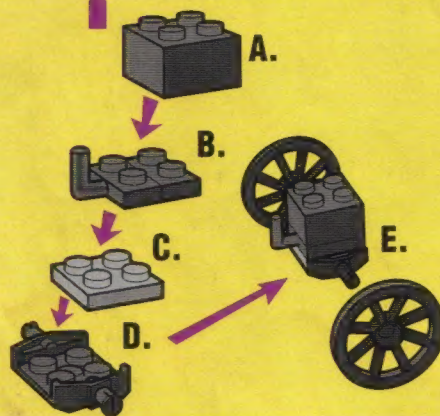
SHERIFF'S WAGON



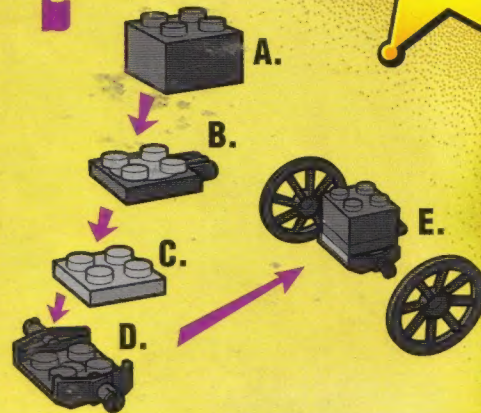
or Create your own Wagon
using pieces from your
LEGO collection.
Club members Jeremiah
and Joel Langer of
Colorado inspired this
awesome Wagon!

Your design could be featured in the MANIA
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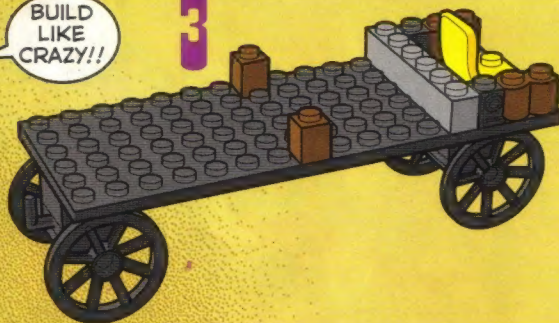


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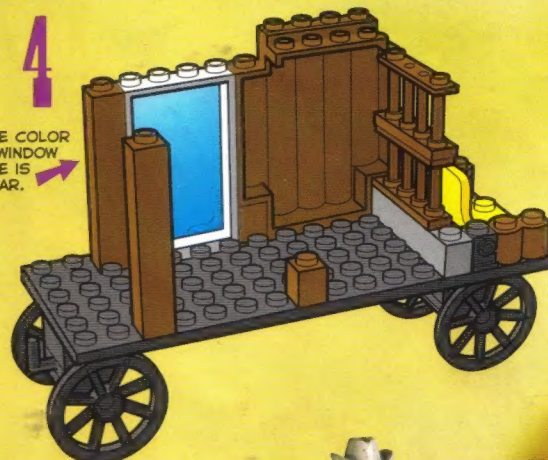
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CRAZY!!

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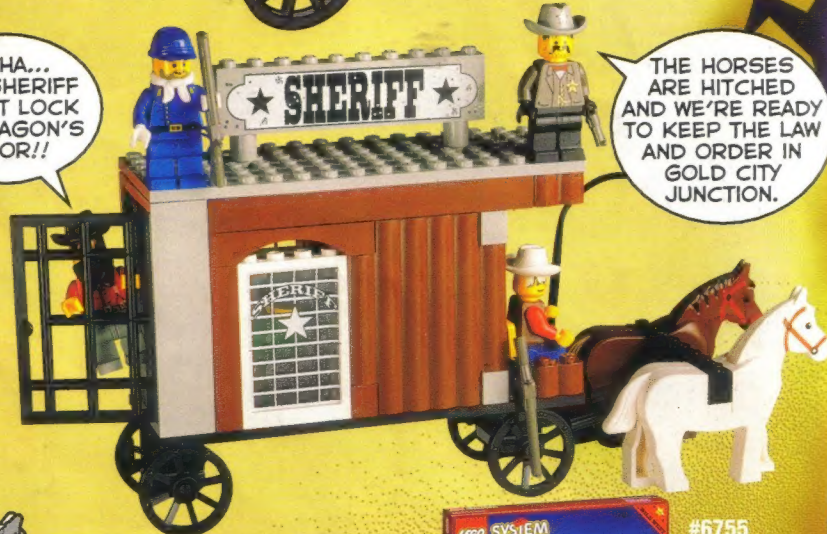
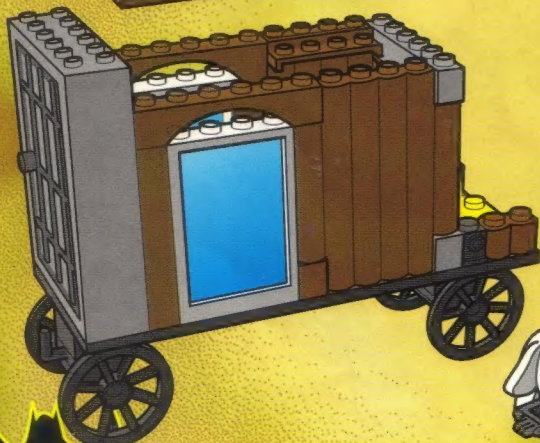
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TRUE COLOR
OF WINDOW
PANE IS
CLEAR.



HA-HA...
THE SHERIFF
DIDN'T LOCK
THE WAGON'S
DOOR!!

THE HORSES
ARE HITCHED
AND WE'RE READY
TO KEEP THE LAW
AND ORDER IN
GOLD CITY
JUNCTION.



All the pieces you need
to build the Sheriff's
Wagon can be found in
#6755 Sheriff's Lock-up &
#6716 Weapons Wagon.



#6755
Sheriff's
Lock-up



#6716
Weapons
Wagon.

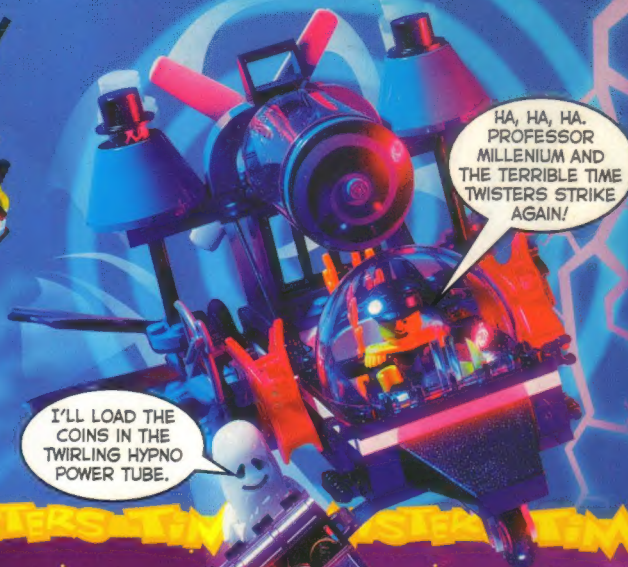
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Watch out for
the **All New** **TIME TWISTERS**

They're twisted, they're trouble, they're the Time Twisters. Professor Millenium and his ghost, Goldie, move through time in their twisted time traveling vehicles like #6496 Whirling Time Warper, and cause trouble by changing time and swiping valuable things in time. Their sinister vehicles travel with all kinds of bizarre movements including flapping wings and twin bouncing skeleton heads. Only Dr. Cyber and the Time Cruisers can stop them.



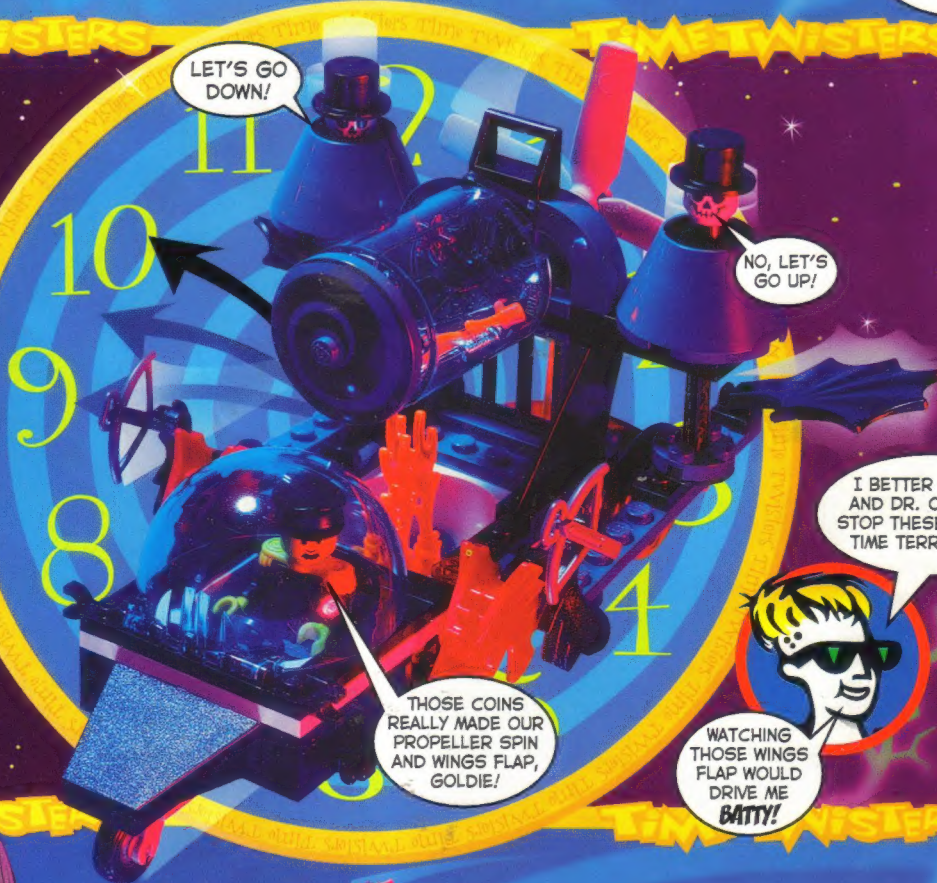
HEY, BRING BACK OUR GOLD!



HA, HA, HA. PROFESSOR MILLENIUM AND THE TERRIBLE TIME TWISTERS STRIKE AGAIN!

I'LL LOAD THE COINS IN THE TWIRLING HYPNO POWER TUBE.

LET'S GO DOWN!



NO, LET'S GO UP!

THOSE COINS REALLY MADE OUR PROPELLER SPIN AND WINGS FLAP, GOLDIE!



NOT SO FAST TIME TWISTERS!

I BETTER GET TIM AND DR. CYBER TO STOP THESE TWISTED TIME TERRORISTS!



WATCHING THOSE WINGS FLAP WOULD DRIVE ME BATTY!



IT'S THOSE BLASTED TIME CRUISERS! WE'RE OUTTA HERE!



MAY THE ROBOFORCE BE WITH US!



LET'S TWIST! (TIME THAT IS.)



WE'LL NEED MORE GOLD FOR THIS TRIP!

LET'S SEE WHAT WE CAN ROB FROM THE ROBOFORCE!

Stay tuned next issue for more adventures with the Time Twisters and ROBOFORCE!



A Fright Night Tale



In a cold, stormy night in Night Lord's Castle, Willa the Witch and Basil the Batlord relaxed by the fireplace.

Basil savagely squished a marshmallow between two graham crackers and jammed the gooey mess into his mouth. Then he began the story of how the Witch changed him from a knight into the Batlord.

"That night I stumbled upon an abandoned castle and came in out of the storm. After building a fire to dry out, I heard a chain slowly scrape **SCREE, SCREE** across the floor above me."

"As I stepped into the dark hallway, I heard a horrible, loud screeching and felt hundreds of cold, leathery fingers claw at my face. Bats! There were hundreds of vampire bats."

NIGHTS LIKE THIS REMIND ME OF WHEN YOU CHANGED ME FROM AN ORDINARY KNIGHT INTO THE BATLORD.

YOU'RE JUST LUCKY I DIDN'T TURN YOU INTO A SLIMY LIZARD!



Going Batty

"I fell against the wall trying to get away from the bats, and suddenly the wall moved. It spun around and snapped shut with a **THUD**. As I stood in the secret stairway, a bony hand pressed roughly into my shoulder."

"I shuddered, screamed, and scrambled back toward the castle entrance to escape. But just as I got there, the bars of the entrance gate hit the floor. I sat there catching my breath when a crystal ball floated eerily above me. Inside it, the misty image of a skeleton head materialized."

"I was so scared I could barely move. Then, **POOF!** The crystal ball disappeared and a witch appeared in a cloud of smoke. It was you, Willa!"

WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN MY CASTLE?

SCARED YOU PRETTY GOOD, DIDN'T I, BASIL BABY.

THEN I SAID, 'NOT SO FAST, KNIGHT. I NEED SOMEONE TO TEND MY BATS, AND YOU'RE IT'.

WITH A WAVE OF MY WAND AND A FEW MAGIC SPELL WORDS, YOU BECAME THE BATLORD.

Outside, the thunder **BOOMED**, Willa ran to her batwing-mobile and said, "Now let's cook up some frights for some other unsuspecting knight."

AND I'VE BEEN WEARING THIS BAT HELMET AND CAPE EVER SINCE. I HAVE TO ADMIT. IT'S NOT SUCH A BAT JOB! HA, HA!

You've seen it happen in scary movies. A large bat swoops down out of the night sky and transforms into a cape-wearing vampire ready to bite its next victim.

These movies have made the vampire bat the most well-known bat in the world, but there are actually about 1,000 different kinds of bats. Vampire bats rarely snack on humans. They live in Mexico and South America and their favorite meals come from cows and horses. After biting an animal with their sharp teeth, vampire bats lick the blood from the cuts.

Even though some people are afraid of bats, bats are really good because they help flowers grow and they eat insects. They use sound echoes from their body as a radar system to find flying insects and other food. A small bat can catch 600 mosquitoes in one hour!

Bats live all over the world, except where it's really hot or really cold. They hang out in trees, caves and buildings. The smallest bat is the bumblebee bat, which is the size of a bumblebee. This tiny bat weighs about what a penny weighs. The largest bats are as big as geese and live on islands in the Pacific Ocean.

DON'T TURN THE PAGE SO FAST.

WE WERE PLANNING TO HAVE YOU FOR DINNER.

Have fun creating your own "batty" adventures with Basil the Batlord and his friends.



Send a Photo of your model to:



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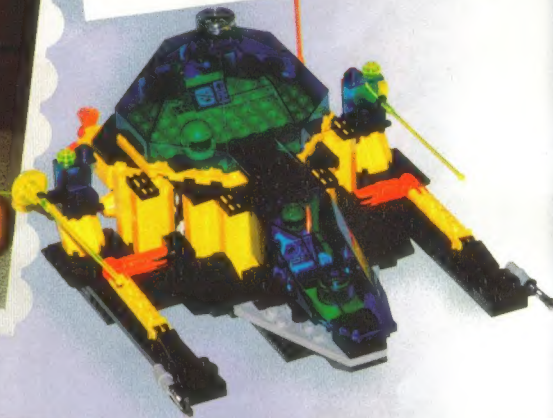
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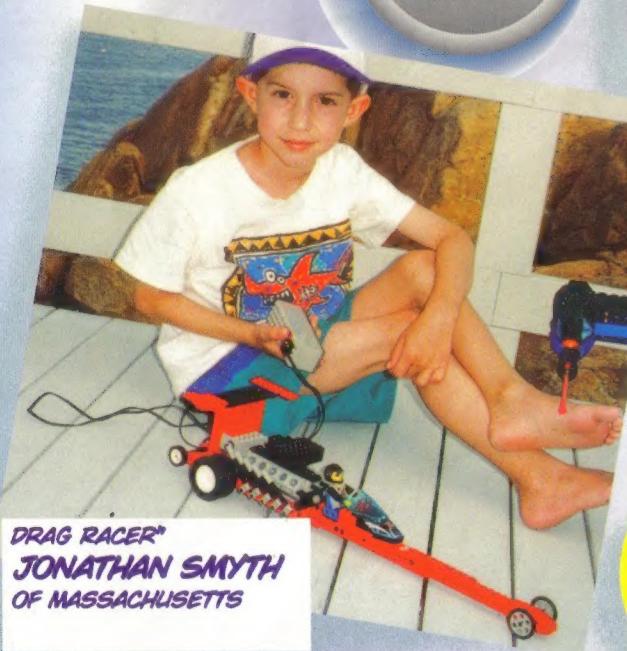
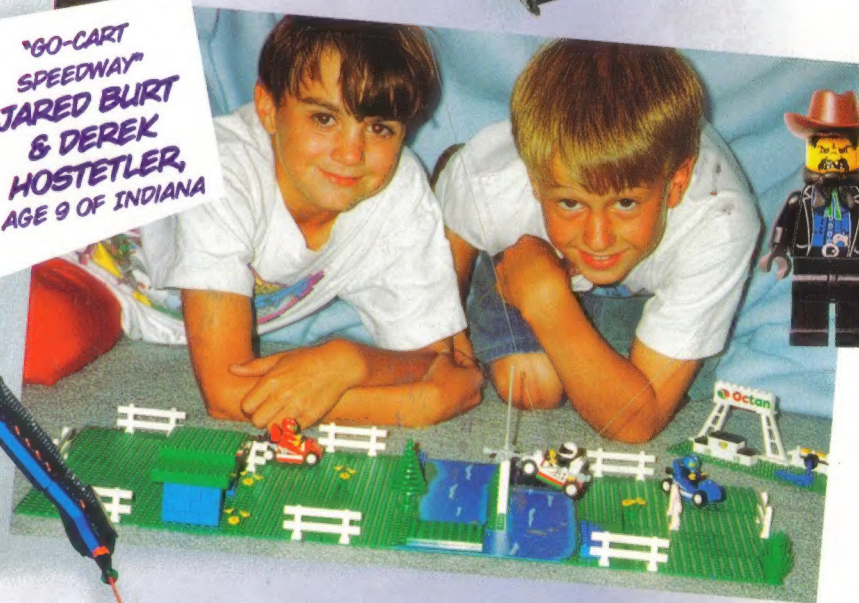


"THE SPHINX"
MICHAEL SCHWITEK,
AGE 12 OF ILLINOIS

"AQUATRON"
**GARTH
L'ESPERANCE,**
AGE 8 OF WASHINGTON



"GO-CART
SPEEDWAY"
**JARED BURT
& DEREK
HOSTETLER,**
AGE 9 OF INDIANA



"DRAG RACER"
JONATHAN SMYTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS



"KLINGON BIRD
OF PREY"
MATT SCHNELL,
AGE 15 OF
MINNESOTA





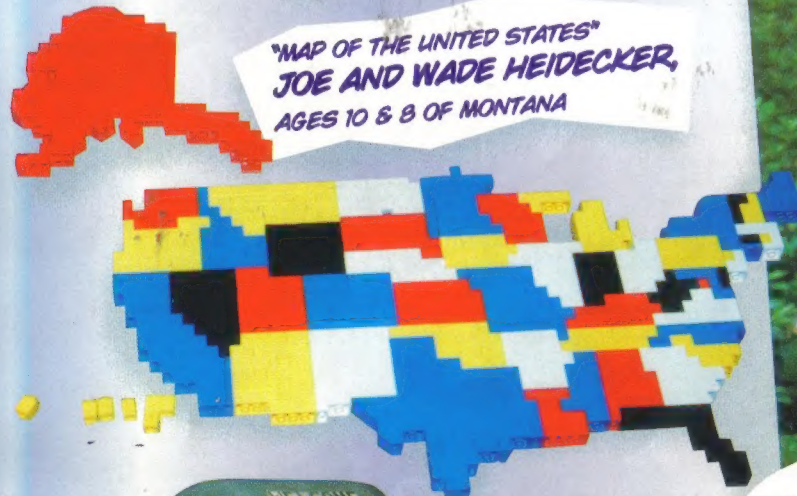
"TEX-NO-BOT"
JAMIE SCHLIND,
AGE 9 OF OHIO

"STAR CRUISER"
ZACK
WIEGARDT,
AGE 9 OF WASHINGTON



"PIRATE'S ISLAND HIDE-AWAY"
GARY MULE,
AGE 10 OF NEW YORK

"MAP OF THE UNITED STATES"
JOE AND WADE HEIDECKER,
AGES 10 & 8 OF MONTANA



IT
REALLY
PLAYS!

"LEGO BANJO"
MICHAEL SLOAN,
AGE 7 OF PENNSYLVANIA

**"DIG-N-
RESCUE"**
ERIC KOO,
AGE 7 OF
CALIFORNIA



MASKED BANDIT CONTEST WINNERS

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Tyler Bostedl, Wisconsin
Spencer Hofstee, Washington
Craig Iacovino, Pennsylvania
Paul Swanick, Missouri
Ricky Collins, Washington
David Ross, Kentucky
Ryan Lee, Florida
Avromi Yurman, New York
Casey O'Callaghan, Illinois
Josh Zavs, Michigan

WANTED



Flatfoot Thompson
for the robbing
of the Gold City
Junction Bank



**"LEGO BLIMP HIGH OVER
CONSTRUCTION SITE"**
GREG HOFMANN,
AGE 12 OF KENTUCKY



"LEGO-HEIM"
LAUREL DIMMICK
AGE 8 OF CALIFORNIA



#6097

Night Lord's CASTLE



FREE
Bonus
"Full out"
Poster



Welcome to my castle. I am Basil the Bat Lord. Let me give you a quick tour of the place. You'll have to watch your step. One false move could be your last, and I don't want a hassle in the castle.



One yank on the chain and the gate crashes on any gatecrashers.



In case an unwanted visitor gets past the gate a pot of rocks will be there to greet them.



At the end of the hall is a nice cozy fireplace. But pull the pin and watch it spin. It turns into a secret passage.



On the first floor the witches tower is where most of the magic happens. Willa the Witch keeps her crystal ball here, watch out for the skull that pops up!

Follow me through the wall and past the skeleton. On the second floor is where we lock up any unruly visitors.



Third floor. Jewels and treasure.



And on the roof is our telescope so we can keep an eye on things.







YOU CAN BUILD THIS...

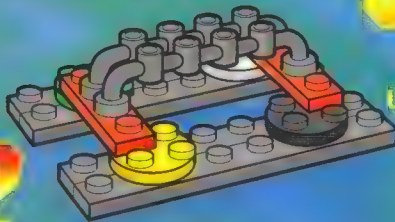
RESCUE COPTER...

or Create your own Copter
using pieces from your LEGO collection!
Club member, Tino Maik Heuberger,
age 6 of California inspired
this awesome copter.

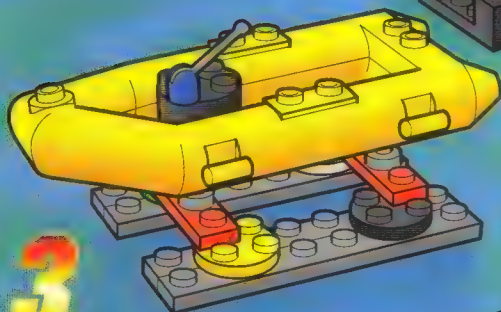
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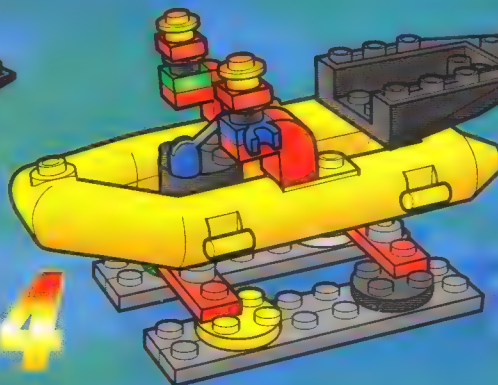
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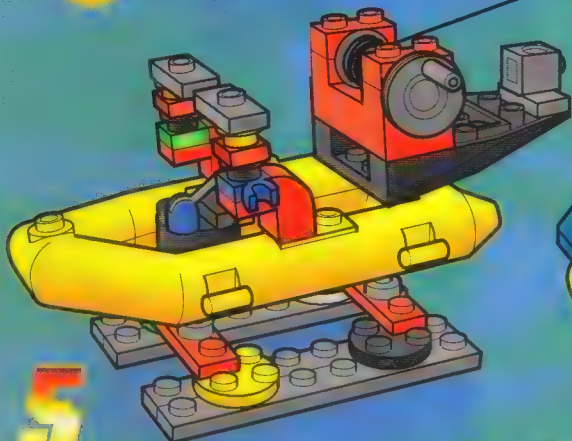
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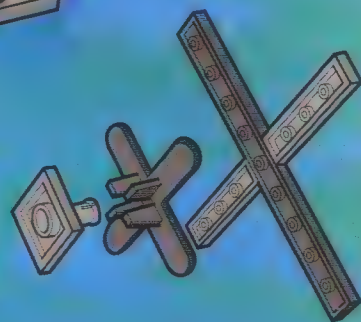
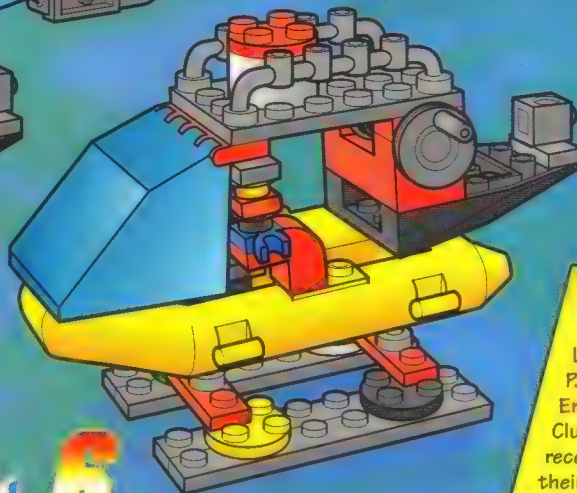
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FOR THE
GREAT IDEA
TINO!



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You'll find all the pieces you need to
build the rescue copter in #6487 Mountain
Rescue and #6555
Sea Hunter



All New! DIVERS

Now available
at your local
toy store!

As you discover the deep in your #6442 Sting Ray Explorer, watch out for great white sharks, stingrays and sawfish. But don't worry, the #6558 Shark Cage Dive rescue boat can drop the shark cage and haul you to the surface before the sharks get you... if you're lucky!



DIVER DAN ESCAPES FROM THE STING RAY EXPLORER AND SWIMS FOR HELP WITH THE AID OF A JET PACK.



WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE DIVERS NEXT? ONLY YOU CAN DECIDE!

Adventures on LEGO Island

LEGO CD-ROM Game
video conference



Joseph Green



Daniel Armendariz

In May 1997, the first ever LEGO CD-ROM game, "Adventures on LEGO Island" will be available at a store near you. Nine-year-old Joseph Green from California, and eleven-year-old Daniel Armendariz from Texas, won the chance to help Mindscape develop the game.

Daniel and Joseph participated in a video conference with Mindscape's top LEGO product designers. Here are some of their recommendations for the game:

Daniel:
"Get out of town," said Daniel, as he imitated the deep, raspy voice of the Brickster character. Daniel also demonstrated how a LEGO character should walk — "stiff, with the heads moving only from side to side — and don't bend the elbows."

"Add obstacles so you can ride over them and shoot forward."

"The Brickster should be able to hide anywhere on the island. LEGO people can give you clues about where to find him. It's more fun if the clues are spoken, because reading can get boring."

Joseph:
"Use a lot of 3D effects in LEGO Island because 3D makes it feel more like real life."

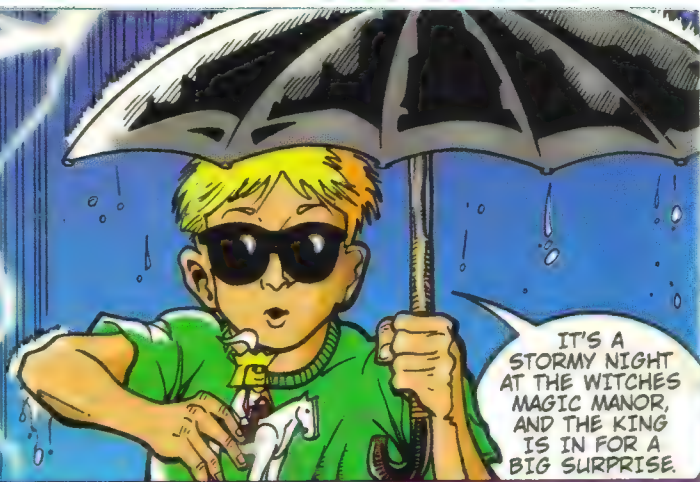
"Put in rolling sounds of the skateboard, but not always the same sounds."

"Pepper the pizza delivery dude should be like Bart Simpson. And when the Brickster tries to stop Pepper from delivering pizzas, Pepper throws pizzas at him."

Look for the "Adventures on LEGO Island" CD-Rom game in May 1997.



the Adventures of the LEGO Maniac

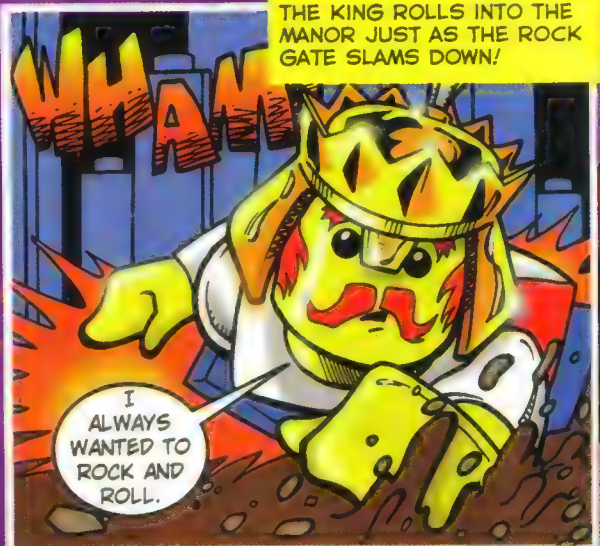


IT'S A STORMY NIGHT AT THE WITCHES MAGIC MANOR, AND THE KING IS IN FOR A BIG SURPRISE.

CAN I COME IN?
IT'S RAINING
OUT HERE. . .

HEY, WHAT'S
THIS CHAIN
FOR?

HEY KING! I
WOULDN'T PULL
THAT CHAIN IF
I WERE YOU!



THE KING ROLLS INTO THE
MANOR JUST AS THE ROCK
GATE SLAMS DOWN!

I
ALWAYS
WANTED TO
ROCK AND
ROLL.

THAT'S
THE ALARM.

WHONK!

WE HAVE
AN INTRUDER
IN THE
CASTLE.

MAYBE THIS
FIREPLACE WILL
WARM ME UP. . .

CLICK

UH-
OH!

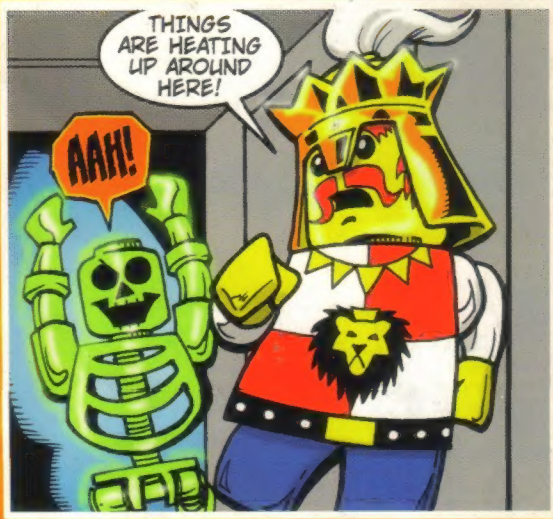
OKAY TEAM,

LET'S GO CATCH A KING.

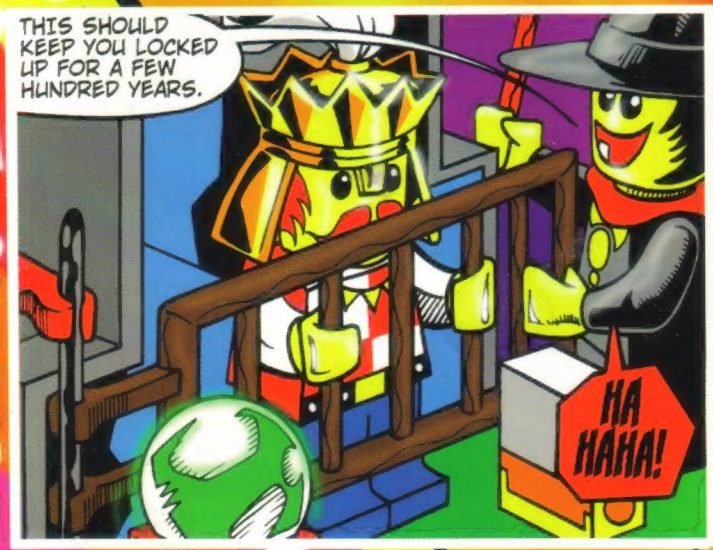


THINGS ARE HEATING UP AROUND HERE!

AAH!

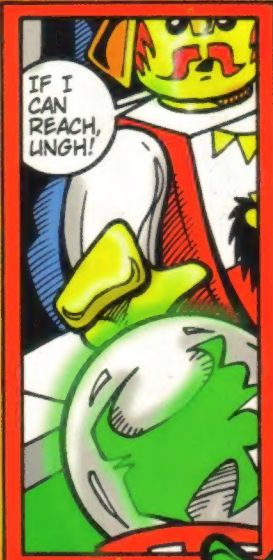


THIS SHOULD KEEP YOU LOCKED UP FOR A FEW HUNDRED YEARS.



HA HAHA!

IF I CAN REACH, UNGH!



BLIN, YIN, ZIN!

COME ON MANIAC, GET ME OUTTA THIS WITCHES PRISON.



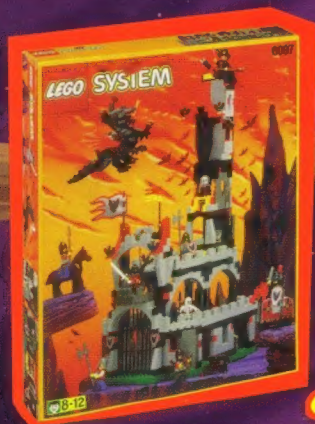
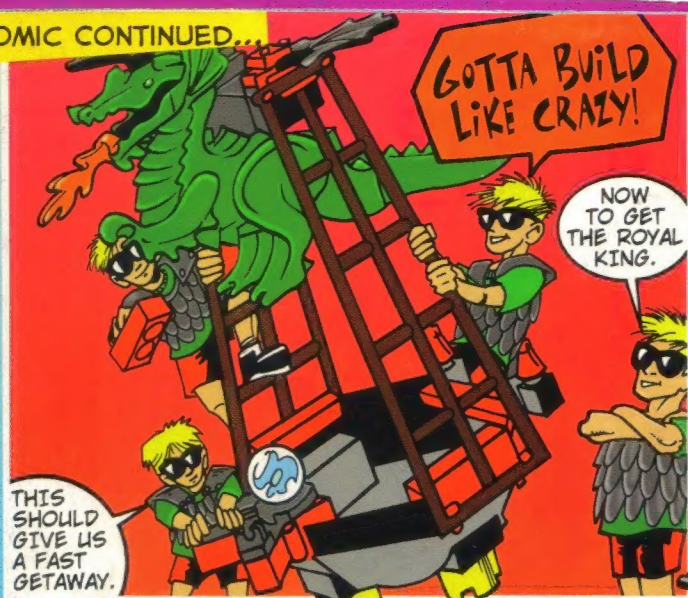
ROAR!

WHOA!

NICE DRAGON.

HOW ABOUT A TASTY DRAGON BISCUIT.





#6097 Night Lord's Castle

Cut here and mail by March 27, 1997

You could win this cool set!



Go Batty and get a prize!

Bats like to hang around the roost upside down. They're hanging out in the magazine and driving everybody batty. Can you find all the bats that are hanging upside down? Count them and put the number on the contest entry form. The first 10 randomly selected entries with the correct number of hanging bats will win a LEGO set of their choice (up to \$100 value). Winners will be notified by mail by April 27, 1997.

How to Enter:

Just count the number of upside-down bats found in the magazine and fill in your answer on the contest entry form. Cut it out and mail it by March 27, 1997 to:

Go Batty Contest
LEGO MANIA Magazine
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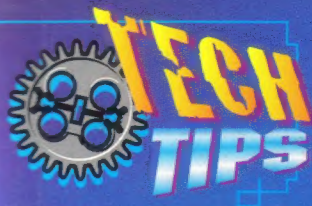
Entries must be postmarked by March 27, 1997 and received by March 31, 1997. Winners will be notified by mail. Offer void where prohibited or restricted by law. Employees of LEGO Systems, Inc. and members of their immediate families are not eligible to participate. Entries will be judged by LEGO Systems, Inc. on the basis of accuracy.





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Turn your room into a roaring race track and challenge your friends to championship Bungee Blasting!



Get a **FREE** Fright Knights - Shirt

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in the
Dark
INK

**Members
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Close-up
of sleeve
emblem

When you
purchase
one of these
new Fright
Knights sets



#6087 Witch's
Magic Manor



#6097 Night
Lord's Castle

There are 2 ways to get a Fright Knights T-shirt by mail. Please check one.



#FT197: Get it FREE by purchasing one of these cool, new Fright Knights sets: #6087 or #6097. Tape one LEGO Collectors stamp from the building instructions of #6087 or #6097 here.



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